

## **Help Improve Spenard Beach Park!**

Imagine an inclusive-designed

# Aviation-Themed Park

Sharing the history, love and excitement of aviation

Spenard and Turnagain Community Councils have received an Anchorage Park Foundation (APF) Challenge Grant to provide a much-deserved update to Spenard Beach Park, located in the Lake Hood Floatplane Base Airport area. This is a favorite spot for tourists and neighbors alike to watch the activities at the busiest floatplane base in the world. This park has a lot of history — and a lot more potential! With your financial support, we can accomplish our goal of providing great, new amenities to this historical park!



#### Phase I: APF Matching Challenge Grant Projects

# A (2) 6FT Wood and Steel Park Bench B (1) Solid Steel Round Picnic Table C (1) ADA (Americans with Disabilities) Solid Steel Round Picnic Table D New dog waste station E New float-plane-themed bike racks (one already donated by Cook Inlet Housing) F Bear resistant trash container\* \*may be provided by MOA Parks Dept

Please note: exact placement of features may change slightly

#### **Longer-Term Vision:**

- Interpretative signs with park history, 3 benches facing lake.Inclusive/ADA playground, shaped like or made of a
- small plane fuselage, backless bench for observing
- 3 Picnic area with multiple tables, including an inclusive/ADA tables
- Relocate Muni park sign from middle of park.
- Install new inclusive swing set and install backless benches for observing.
- Remove or relocate existing kiosk and dog waste station from middle of park.

### Why Are We Asking for Your Support?

The Anchorage Park Foundation has granted Spenard and Turnagain CCs a Challenge Grant of \$10,000 — to be matched with another \$10,000. PLEASE SEE BACK OF FLYER FOR MORE FUNDRAISING DETAILS ON HOW YOU CAN HELP!

# Please Help Us Meet Our Anchorage Park Foundation Challenge Grant Goal!



Anchorage Park Foundation (APF) Community Challenge Grants are made possible with generous support by the Rasmuson Foundation - every donation is generously matched dollar for dollar by the Rasmuson Foundation.

RASMUSON FOUNDATION APF sponsors annual Community Challenge Grants to inspire neighborhoods and community organizations to bring new life to local parks. Spenard and Turnagain Community Councils have long supported updates to Spenard Beach Park, an important historic resource and much-loved recreational place on the border of our neighborhoods.

**Community Council Support:** Each council committed \$2,000 to this effort, matched by a \$10,000 grant from APF to support our efforts. We want to raise—

at minimum—another \$6,000 from our community to bring our vision to life! This means will have at least \$20,000 in total funds for park improvements.





The picture above is titled "Our Last Swim in Lake Spenard. Before Leaving Anchorage, Alaska To Join the Colors in the Fight for Freedom 1918."

Picture courtesy Alaska Digital Archives.

## How You Can Donate:

Anchorage Park Foundation accepts donations for this project on our councils' behalf. APF takes no admin fee on the funds, so every dollar goes directly to our project. APF hosts a project web page for Spenard Beach Park, with more about the park and updates on our progress.

www.anchorageparkfoundation.org/programs/challenge-grants/2019-projects/spenard-beach-park/

**Online:** Donate online to Spenard Beach Park Improvements directly at: <a href="https://apf.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/create?funit\_id=1391">https://apf.fcsuite.com/erp/donate/create?funit\_id=1391</a>

**Checks:** Make check payable to "Anchorage Park Foundation" with "Spenard Beach" as the memo Mail To: Anchorage Park Foundation, 3201 C St. Suite 110, Anchorage, AK 99503

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